Unit Self Inspection (USI) Findings

Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 9

Federal Acquisition Circulars (FACs) 97-21 & 97-24

Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Part 19

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USI FINDING: Missing Contracting Officer's Determination of Responsibility *(Contract File Content Checklist Item #32)*

- References:
  - FAR 9-104-1
  - FAR 9-105-2
  - WR-ALC Contracting Handbook (9.103)
- No Purchase or Award Shall be Made Unless the Contracting Officer Makes an Affirmative Determination of Responsibility

Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 97-21

- FAC 97-21, Contractor Responsibility (Clarifies what Constitutes a "Satisfactory Record of Integrity and Business Ethics")
  - Action: Final Rule
  - Issued: 20 December 2000
  - Effective Date: 19 January 2001
  - Amended FAR Section 9.103, "Policy"
  - Revised FAR Section 9.104-1, "General Standards"
  - Added new paragraph to FAR Section 9.104-3, "Application of Standards"

Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 97-24

- FAC 97-24 was issued to "stay" FAC 97-21
  - Action: Interim Rule--Reinstatement of Text; Stay of Final Rule; Request for Comments
  - FAR Council intends the stay will last for 270 days from 3 April 2001, or until finalization of the proposed rule, whichever is sooner
  - FAR Text in Red is "Stayed" per FAC 97-24
    - FAR 9.103(b)
    - FAR 9.104-1(d) & 9.104-3(c)

USI Finding: BC Coordination Missing

(Contract File Content Checklist #4)

- References:
  - *FAR 19.202*
  - *DFARS 219.201(d)(10)(A) & (B)*
  - *WR-ALC Contracting Handbook--Part 19*

- DoD Small Business Specialists Review and Make Recommendations for all Acquisitions over $10,000

USI Finding: BC Coordination Missing

(Contract File Content Checklist #4)

- Use DD Form 2579, Dated December 2000 (Small Business Coordination Record)
- Coordination is required before issuance of Solicitation or Contract Modification
- Ensure package is complete prior to forwarding to BC